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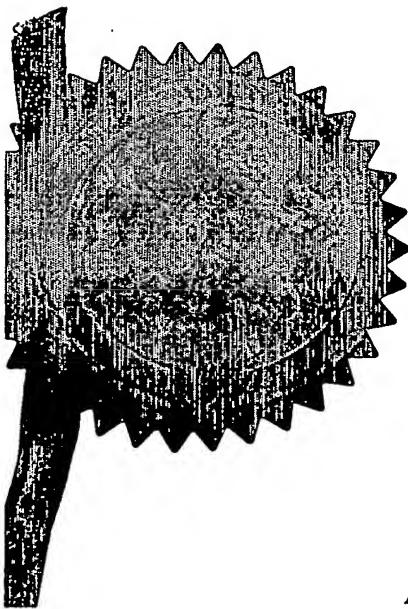
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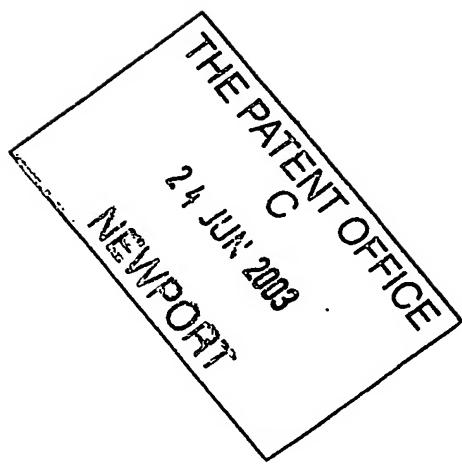
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Improved garmentField of the invention

- 5 The present invention relates to a garment adapted to deliver vapourising decongestant to the wearer. The invention is applicable with particular advantage to sports clothing and in particular for clothing for children.

There are many different oils and creams available which are impregnated
10 with a vapourising decongestant. Such creams and oils are intended for use on the skin such that the heat of the skin heats up the decongestant to slowly release decongesting vapour which can be inhaled to keep the nasal passages clear.

- 15 Such oils and creams can in some cases irritate the skin especially the delicate skin of children. Parents often rub such creams into the clothing of the child or impregnate a handkerchief with a decongestant oil. The amount of decongestant is not controlled and it can also ruin the clothes by staining them. In such cases the decongestant can also come into
20 contact with the skin causing the same irritation.

Even professional sportsmen sometimes rub a slow release vapourising decongestant into their shirt. They have found that this can help to keep their head and nasal passages clear while indulging in their sporting
25 activity, especially in cold weather.

Summary of the invention

- According to the invention a garment includes a pad holder for receiving
30 and holding securely a vapourising decongestant impregnated pad, the pad holder positioned such as to locate the pad in a position such that

vapourised decongestant may readily be inhaled by the wearer of the garment.

- 5 Typically the garment will be a shirt, sporting tops, pajama tops or all-in-one suits.

The pad holder is preferably a pocket into which the pad may be slipped and readily removed. It may have a closure to prevent the pad from falling out when the garment is worn, in particular during active sports.

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Alternatively the pocket may be an open-topped pocket. Provided that the pad size is only just smaller than the pocket once in position when the garment is worn it will be held securely.

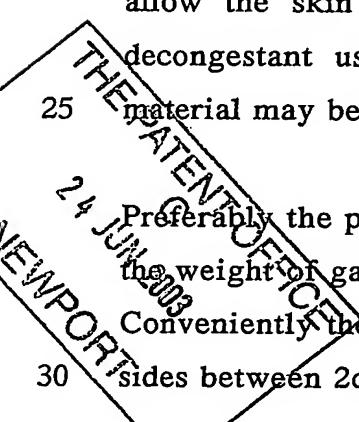
- 15 The advantage of this system is that the decongestant can be impregnated into the pad at exactly the correct concentration to deliver a recommended dose to the wearer. The pad may be readily removed from the holder for washing of the garment and for replacing after a predetermined time.

- 20 Preferably the pocket is on the inside of the garment to ensure that the heat of the skin can release the decongestant vapour. Typically the pocket may be of a net or mesh material which will hold the pad securely but allow the skin to be in contact with the pad. In the event that the decongestant used may irritate the skin of the wearer a light cotton material may be preferred.

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Preferably the pad is of a shape and size to ensure that it is not heavy for the weight of garment material and that it is not obtrusive for the wearer. Conveniently the pad may be in a square or rectangular pillow shape with sides between 2cm and 16cm and depth between $\frac{1}{4}$ cm to 1cm.

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The choice of suitable vapourising decongestant will be apparent to the skilled addressee of the specification as will be the choice of appropriate material for the pad for receiving the decongestant. Typically a suitable material for the pad will be dependent on the decongestant formulation
5 chosen.

Although the invention is applicable with particular advantage to sports garments such as football shirts, the invention may also be applied with advantage to children's night clothes - even baby clothes. There is a
10 perennial problem of how to clear the nasal passages of a baby or young child and measures which will prevent the build up of mucous in their nose during the night hours.

In one embodiment of the invention, the pocket may be in the form of a
15 bag having an iron-on surface which can be positioned on a garment as required by the user and then secured in position by ironing and activating the adhesive in the iron-on surface.

Brief description of the drawings

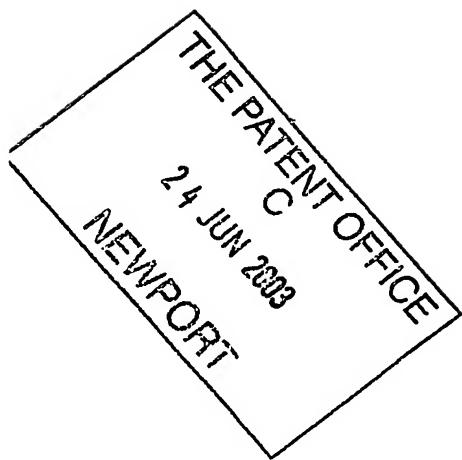
20 An example of a garment in accordance with the invention will now be described with reference to the accompanying drawing in which:-

Description of the preferred embodiment

25 A garment 1 includes a pad holder 3 for receiving and holding securely a vapourising decongestant impregnated pad 5, the pad holder 3 positioned such as to locate the pad 5 in a position such that vapourised decongestant may readily be inhaled by the wearer of the garment.

In this case the garment is a sports shirt with the pad holder 3 positioned at the centre of the front of the garment just below the neckline to ensure that the vapourised decongestant can readily be inhaled by the wearer of the garment.

The pad holder 3 is in this case in the form of an open-topped pocket 7 of net material. The dimensions of the pocket are 12.5cm by 15.5cm and the dimensions of the pad are 7.5cm by 10cm.



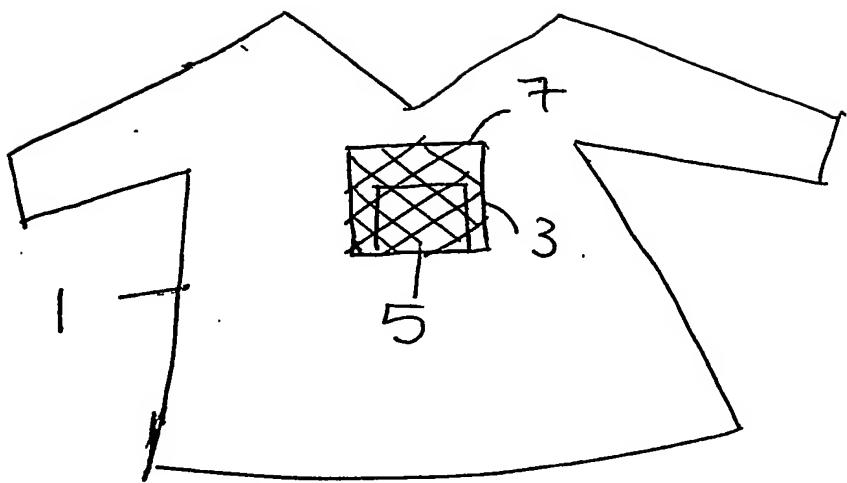
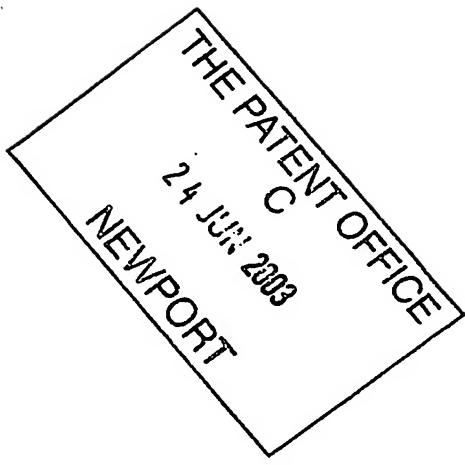


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